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Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims presented below replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

1. (currently amended) Image printing system, which comprises a main body and a backyard printing part which is connected to the main body via a line,

wherein the main body comprises an image data inputting ~~means~~ unit for inputting image data, a request inputting ~~means~~ unit for inputting requests for an image to be output, a display ~~means~~ unit for displaying an image, an output content indicating data preparation ~~means~~ unit for preparing an output content indicating datum which records the image to be output and appendix conditions for the image on the basis of the input image and the input requests, an output method choice ~~means~~ unit for selecting one of instantaneous printing and backyard printing, and an instantaneous printing ~~means~~ unit which prints out a printed article of the image in accordance with the output content indicating datum when the choice at the output method choice ~~means~~ unit is the instantaneous printing, and a private information inputting ~~means~~ unit for inputting the private information of the customer, and the receipt note issuing ~~means~~ unit issues a receipt note which has a customer identity information which includes the private information input at the private information inputting ~~means~~ unit,

wherein the backyard printing part including the collation sheet printing ~~means~~ unit issues the collation sheet which has the customer identity information which includes the private information input at the private information inputting ~~means~~ unit.

wherein the backyard printing part prints out a printed article of the image in accordance with the output content indicating datum when the choice at the output method choice ~~means~~ unit is the backyard printing.

2. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 1, wherein the image data inputting ~~means~~ unit contains an image scanning device possible to scan an image directly.

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3. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the image datum which is input by the image data inputting ~~means~~ unit comprises an image datum of photographic image.

4. (previously presented) Image printing system according to Claim 1, wherein the main body and the backyard print part is located in a same shop.

5. (previously presented) Image printing system according to Claim 1, the main body and the backyard print part is connected through a network.

6. (cancelled)

7. (cancelled)

8. (cancelled)

9. (currently amended) Image printing system, which comprises an image data procurement means for obtaining image data, a request inputting ~~means~~ unit for inputting requests for an image to be output, an output content indicating data preparation ~~means~~ unit for preparing an output content indicating datum which records the image to be output and appendix conditions for the image on the basis of the obtained image and the input requests, a printing ~~means~~ unit which prints out a printed article of the image in accordance with the output content indicating datum, a certification information setting ~~means~~ unit for setting a certification information which certifies the identity of the customer to be handed the printed article, a storage ~~means~~ unit which ~~store~~ stores the printed article therein and which is possible to be locked with the certification information, and is possible to be opened when the certification information which is input in a certification information inputting unit, and [[a]] the certification information inputting means unit for inputting the certification information to open the locked storage ~~means~~ unit.

10. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 9, wherein the image data procurement ~~means~~ unit comprises an image data inputting ~~means~~ unit for inputting an image datum.

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11. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 9 or 10, wherein the indicating data preparation ~~means~~ unit comprises an editing ~~means~~ unit where the obtained image datum is processed into the image to be output.
12. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 9, wherein the certification information setting ~~means~~ unit comprises a password designating ~~means~~ unit for designating a password as one pleases.
13. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 9, wherein the certification information setting ~~means~~ unit comprises a password allocating ~~means~~ unit for automatically giving a password.
14. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 9, wherein the storage ~~means~~ unit comprises a storing box having a door with a lock which key is the aforesaid certification information.
15. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 9, wherein the storage ~~means~~ unit comprises a plural of storing spaces and a common ejection port, wherein each storing space can be locked independently and separately with a key which is the certification information to be set individually, and wherein the common ejection port is designed for discharging printed articles stored in any of the storing spaces.
16. (currently amended) Image printing system according to one of Claim 9, wherein the system further comprises an output method choice ~~means~~ unit for selecting one of instantaneous printing and backyard printing,
the printing ~~means~~ unit comprises an instantaneous printing ~~means~~ unit and a backyard printing ~~means~~ unit, wherein the instantaneous printing ~~means~~ unit prints out a printed article of the image in accordance with the output content indicating datum when the choice at the output method choice ~~means~~ unit is the instantaneous printing, and wherein the backyard printing ~~means~~ unit prints out a printed article of the image in accordance with the output content indicating datum when the choice at the output method choice ~~means~~ unit is the backyard printing, and

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the certification information setting ~~means~~ unit sets the certification information upon the choice of the backyard printing.

17. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 16, wherein the system comprises a main body, a backyard printing part and a stocker part, wherein the main body comprises the image data procurement ~~means~~ unit, the request inputting ~~means~~ unit, the output content indicating data preparation ~~means~~ unit, the output method choice ~~means~~ unit, the instantaneous printing ~~means~~ unit, and the certification information setting ~~means~~ unit, wherein the backyard printing part comprises the backyard printing ~~means~~ unit and is connected to the main body via a line, and wherein the stocker part is equipped with the certification information Inputting ~~means~~ unit.

18. (original) Image printing system according to Claim 17, wherein the main body and stocker part are connected via line.

19. (original) Image printing system according to one of Claim 16-18, wherein the main body and backyard print part and the stocker part are all installed in a same shop.

20. (currently amended) Image printing ~~apparatus for printing out a photo image photographed by an imaging device such as digital camera~~ system according to Claim 1 or Claim 9,

which comprises a main body and a monitor part,
wherein the main body is equipped with a printing device therein, and
wherein the monitor part is located at upper side of the main body, and displays information such as image and character, and
wherein the monitor part has at least one of height adjustment function and tilt angle regulatory function.

21. (canceled)

22. (canceled)

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23. (currently amended) Image printing apparatus ~~for printing out a photo-image photographed by an imaging device such as digital camera~~ system according to Claim 1 or Claim 9,

which comprises a main body and a monitor part, wherein the main body is equipped with a printing device therein,

wherein the monitor part is located at upper side of the main body, and displays information such as image and character, and

wherein the apparatus comprises an inlet port for inserting a recording medium and an outlet port for discharging a output printed article,

wherein the monitor part has at least one of height adjustment function and tilt angle regulatory function and that at least one of the inlet and outlet ports has an open/close-free cover.

24. (currently amended) Image printing apparatus system according to Claim 1 or Claim 9, wherein the system is for printing out a photo-image photographed by an imaging device such as digital camera on a pre-cut seal, which comprises a ~~means~~ unit for displaying a frame for the pre-cut of the pre-cut seal in addition to a selected image on a monitor screen, and an image adjustment ~~means~~ unit for aligning the selected image within the frame so as to print the image at a good position within the pre-cut frame.

25. (currently amended) Image printing apparatus system according to Claim 24, wherein the image adjustment ~~means~~ unit comprise at least one of an image scaling ~~means~~ unit which is possible to be scale-up and scale-down of the image, an image translocating ~~means~~ unit, an image rotating ~~means~~ unit.

26. (currently amended) Image printing apparatus system according to Claim 24 [[or 25]], wherein the image adjustment ~~means~~ unit comprises a detecting ~~means~~ unit for detecting the transporting state of the pre-cut seal before printing, and a printing adjustment ~~means~~ unit for adjusting the printing where a deviation of the position detected by the detecting ~~means~~ unit from the standard position is calculated, and the printing position is adjusted in proportion to the calculated

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deviation.

27. (currently amended) Image printing ~~apparatus~~ system according to Claim 26, wherein the detecting ~~means~~ unit detects a detection mark which is provided on the back side of the pre-cut seal.

28. (canceled)

29. (canceled)

30. (canceled)

31. (canceled)

32. (canceled)

33. (canceled)

34. (canceled)

35. (currently amended) Image printing system according to Claim 1,
wherein the image data inputting ~~means~~ unit for inputting image data
comprises an inlet port for inserting a recording medium, and an outlet port for
discharging a output printed article, and
wherein at least one of the inlet and outlet ports has an open/close-free cover.

36. (currently amended) Image printing system according to ~~Claim 35~~ Claim 36,
wherein the cover is automatically opened and closed in relation to customer's
operation of the image printing system.